Rate of wages of factory labourers.

266 * **MR. P. S. MUHAMED** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they made any enquiry about the rate of wages of factory labourers before and after the out break of the war ; and

(*b*) if so, to lay on the table the result of their enquiry ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS : (*a*) The Conciliation Board that enquired into the trade disputes in the mats and matting industry made enquiries on the wages of labourers in the mats and matting industry before the outbreak of the war. No formal enquiry has been made after the outbreak of the war.

(*b*) A copy of their report is laid on the Secretary's table.

MR. P. S. MUHAMED : കൺസിലിയേഷൻ ബോർഡ് അന്വേഷണം നടത്തിയ കാലത്തു തൊഴിലാളികൾക്കു എന്തുകൂലി കിട്ടിക്കൊണ്ടിരുന്നു എന്നു പറയുവാൻ കഴിയുമോ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS : It has not been possible to find out exactly what a labourer will get for a day as the rates vary from place to place and from industry to industry.

MR. P. S. MUHAMED : ആവറേജ് ആയി ഒരുലപ്പുഴ എന്തു കിട്ടിക്കൊണ്ടിരുന്നു.

MR. C. KUMARA DAS : The Conciliation Board Report says that they were getting some where about As. 8 per day.

Rate of Travelling Allowance for clerks.

267 * **MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** : Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any difference in the T. A. Rules regarding the rate of travelling allowance between the clerks in the Accountant-General's Office and the High Court on the one hand and those in other departments ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the difference and the reasons for the same ; and

(*c*) whether any circular has been issued by the Accountant-General limiting the rate of T. A. to the single bus fare ?

MR. S. SUNDARARAJAN : (*a*) A reference is invited to Exception 2 to Article 437 (b), Travancore Service Regulations. *An extract of the rule and the exception placed on the table.

(*b*) Vide reply to (*a*) above. The difference is apparently due to the fact that the officers mentioned in the list are not regular touring officers.

(*c*) No. A circular has however been issued demanding receipts as proof of payment for a second bus fare if claimed.

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Appendix VI.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 267**

TRAVANCORE SERVICE REGULATIONS.

Article 437 (a) x x x x

(*b*) The allowance of an officer who travels more than twenty miles in a day by a motor or steam launch, open to the public on hire, shall not exceed twice the actual fare charged. If he travels twenty miles or less, he can draw only daily allowance. A non-gazetted ministerial or a menial officer is only entitled to class accommodation according to the scale provided for railway journeys in Article 432, and the allowance admissible to him is the fare of the class in which he is entitled to accommodation and charges for conveying his luggage, if any, actually incurred by him, irrespective of the distance travelled. Vide also Article 460 (ii).

Exceptions.—1. x x x x.

2. The following officers will be allowed mileage for marches of more than 20 miles a day irrespective of the conveyance used.

(*a*) The Dewan.

(*b*) The Private Secretary to the Dewan.

(*c*) Judges of the High Court.

(*d*) Gazetted Officers of the Secretariat and the Accountant-General's Office.

(*e*) The Ministerial and the menial officers accompanying the above officers on tour.

(*f*) Medical Officers accompanying the Dewan or the Royal Camp.

(*g*) The clerks and the peons of the Accountant General's Office on inspection duty.

(*h*) The Assistant Sanitary Officers, Palace Circle, accompanying the Royal Camp and the officers and other employees of the Royal Camp or equipage.

(True Extract.)

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